
Theory and Simulation: Overview and Plans

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Outline

- overview of simulation activities in NFMCC
- present some neutrino factory front-end results
- discuss our near-term simulation plans

NFMCC simulation activities (1)

(1) perform design simulations for future muon-based facilities

- neutrino factory
- muon collider

major facility design areas

- proton driver
- target
- front-end
- acceleration
- storage or collider ring

NFMCC simulation activities (2)

(2) related simulation efforts inside the collaboration

- MICE experiment (ionization cooling)
- MERIT experiment (liquid targetry)
- RF breakdown
- solid target shock
- small ring coolers

(3) Muons Inc

- separate effort funded by SBIR
- main focus on low-emittance muon colliders
- active collaboration within NFMCC

Study 2a

- Study 2a = design written up in APS Joint Study on the Future of Neutrino Physics (2004)
- this is an update on NFMCC Neutrino Factory Study 2 (2001) contained some BNL site-specific aspects
- new front end design
 - adiabatic RF bunching and phase rotation
 - simplified cooling channel
- new accelerator design with $A_T = 30$ mm rad
 - dog-bone RLA
 - FFAG accelerators
- Study 2b = design written up in PRSTAB 9,011001 (2006)

Recent simulation highlights

- participation in International Scoping Study
 - aim to focus and consolidate neutrino factory machine options
 - workshops
 - CERN in September 2005
 - BNL in December 2005
 - KEK in January 2006
- enhanced interest in muon colliders
 - successful LEMC workshop February 2006
 - two new schemes based on bunch coalescence
- machine design publications in Phys. Rev. STAB
 - RFOFO cooling ring <http://prst-ab.aps.org/abstract/PRSTAB/v8/i6/e061003>
 - Study 2a neutrino factory design <http://prst-ab.aps.org/abstract/PRSTAB/v9/i1/e011001>

MUTAC meeting simulation guide

- many simulation topics will be covered at this review
- ISS neutrino factory results to date

comparison of neutrino factory schemes ([R. Palmer](#))

π production ([H. Kirk](#))

phase rotation & bunching ([D. Neuffer](#))

acceleration ([S. Berg](#))

storage rings ([C. Johnstone](#))

- muon collider

collider schemes with bunch merging ([R. Palmer](#))

collider simulations ([D. Summers](#))

Muons Inc. ([R. Johnson](#))

- experiment-related simulations

targetry ([R. Samulyak](#), [N. Simos](#))

MICE ([A. Blondel](#))

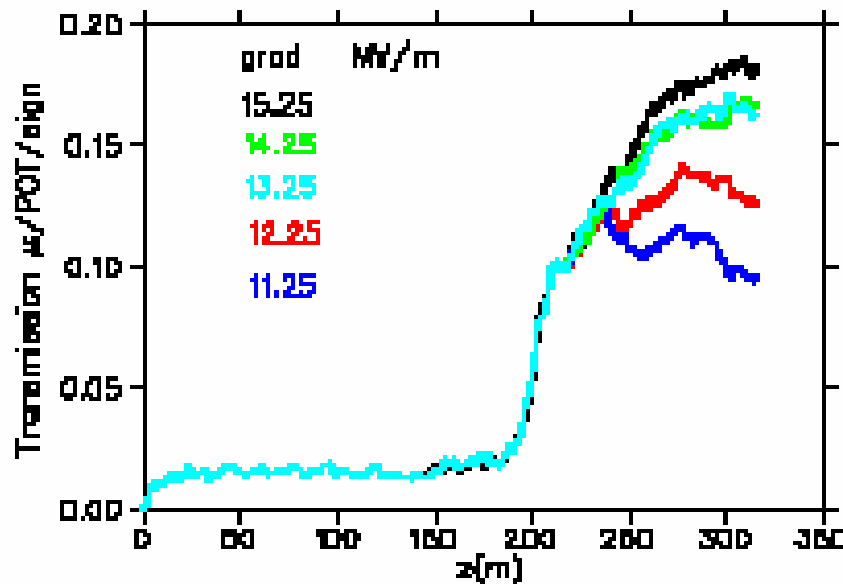
RF breakdown ([J. Norem](#))

ISS front-end tasks

1. compare performance of existing neutrino factory schemes
overview ([R. Palmer](#))
2. evaluate implications of reduced rf gradient ←
3. search for optimized front-end systems
optimum beam-target combination ([H. Kirk](#))
combined phase rotation and cooling ([D. Neuffer](#))
spiral cooling channel ([D. Summers](#))
effect of curved rf windows ←
Study 2a missing cavity sensitivity ←
4. trade-off of cooling versus accelerator acceptance
5. evaluate suitability of windows/absorbers for 2 signs, 4 MW ←

Effect of reduced rf gradient

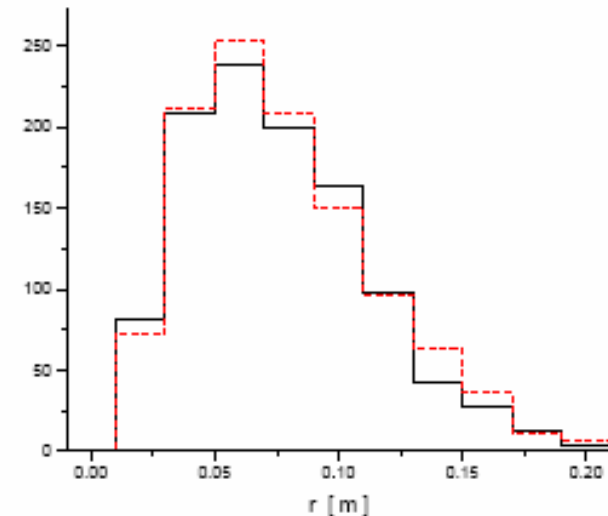
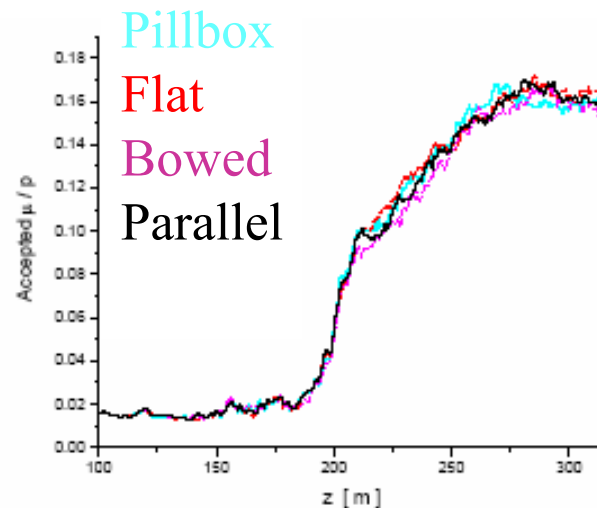
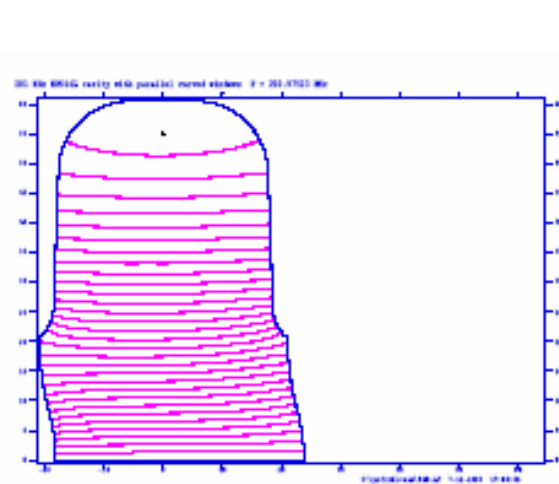
- what if we can't achieve 15.25 MV/m in a magnetic field?
- operation with 2/3 gradient reduces performance by 20%
compensated by adjusting amount of absorber and rf phase
- another study assumed construction gives distribution of gradients
best to put highest gradients at start of channel
12 full gradient cavities restored performance loss



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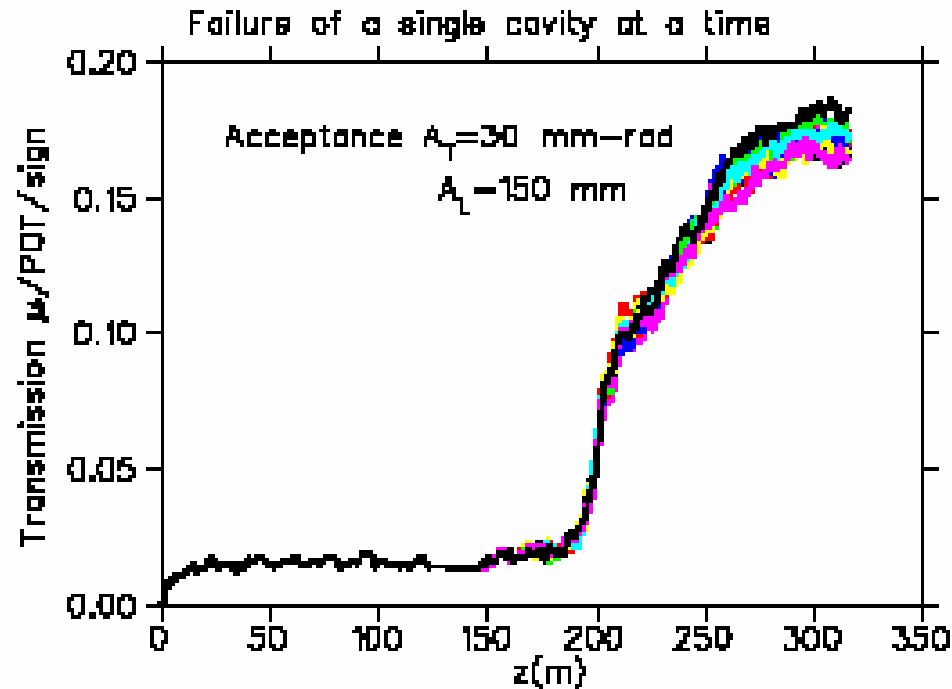
Effect of curved rf windows

- Study 2a used flat rf windows
- actual curved windows introduce radial electric fields
peak E_R is 17% of peak E_Z near corner of the window
- used SuperFish fields with real curved windows
- saw no significant change in front-end performance
6% loss reducing window radius from 25 \rightarrow 21 cm
(Study 2a \rightarrow MUCOOL cavity shape)



Failure of an rf cavity in Study 2a

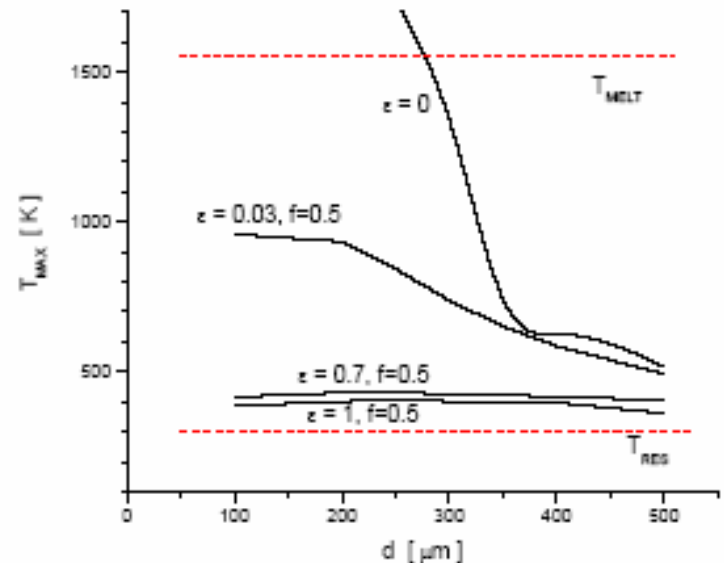
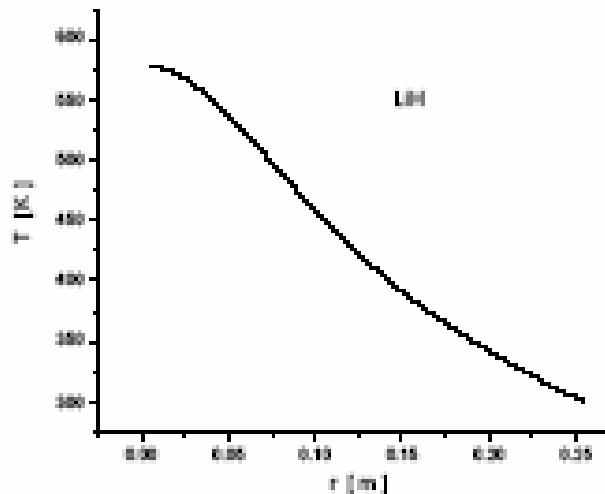
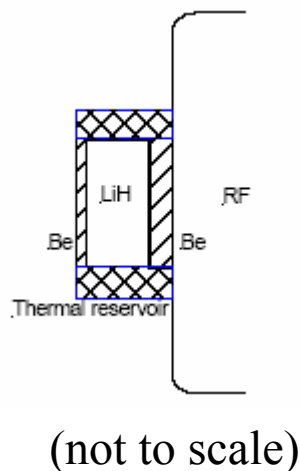
- looked at failure of single cavities in rotator or cooling channel
- find $\sim 3\%$ loss in μ_A/p



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Heating in Study 2a absorber window

- Study 2a neutrino factory design keeps both μ signs
- gives more heating in absorber windows
- this 1-D calculation shows design with conduction cooling possible for 1 MW p beam
- 3-D finite element analysis will be done
- have scheme with flowing He gas if additional cooling needed
- experimental measurements on LiH proposed at MTA



Near-term plans

- neutrino factory

- continue investigating refinements to Study 2a

- finish work on International Scoping Study (NuFact06)

- begin new design work based on ISS conclusions?

- muon collider

- continue investigation of more NF-compatible schemes

- bunch coalescence

- spiral cooling channels and cooling rings

- final cooling using 50 T solenoids

- collaborate with Muons Inc on the very low emittance approach

Summary

- have active program of **simulation work**
- our major emphasis has been neutrino factory
 - Study 1 \rightarrow Study 2 \rightarrow Study 2a \rightarrow Study2b \rightarrow **ISS**
- longer term interest in a muon collider
- continued to make progress in all areas last year
- plan to continue this work in the coming year